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flame retardant and being substantially resistant to burning; and
a wick inside the candle.

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24. (Amended) A self-extinguishing candle, consisting essentially of:
a candle body formed of a paraffin wax; the candle body being opaque or substantially opaque,
a wick inside the candle body for sustaining a candle flame when lit, and
a flame-resistant block in contact with one end of the candle body, the flame-resistant block including at least one flame retardant and being capable of extinguishing the candle flame after the candle body is substantially consumed by the candle flame.

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31. (Amended) The method of claim 30, wherein the flame retardant is tri-(2,3-dibromopropyl) phosphate, ammonium phosphate, or bis(bromochloropropyl) bromochloropropyl phosphonate.

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38. (Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein the wax is paraffin wax, beeswax, animal wax, vegetable wax, mineral wax, synthetic wax, or a mixture thereof.

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40. (Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein the gelling agent is a di-block copolymer, tri-block copolymer, radial copolymer, star polymer, multi-block copolymer, or a mixture thereof.

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43. (Amended) The method of claim 42, wherein the additive is an antioxidant, stabilizer, fragrance, colorant, insect repellent, or a mixture thereof.

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45. (Amended) The method of claim 44, wherein the object is an insoluble star, glitter, sparkle, ribbon, or a combination thereof.

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-- 48. (New) A candle comprising:
a first portion formed of a candle base material;
a second portion in contact with the first portion, the second portion including at least one flame retardant and being substantially resistant to burning; and